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Please add new claims 21-29 as follows:

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--21. (New) A method of treating a pathology characterized by the TGF- β -induced production of extracellular matrix in a tissue comprising contacting the tissue with an agent that binds to TGF- β and that suppresses the accumulation of a TGF- β -induced component of the extracellular matrix in the tissue.--

--22. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the pathology is glomerulonephritis.--

--23. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the pathology is adult respiratory distress syndrome or cirrhosis of the liver.--

--24. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the agent is an anti-TGF- β antibody.--

--25. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the pathology is glomerulonephritis.--

--26. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the pathology is adult respiratory distress syndrome or cirrhosis of the liver.--

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--27. (New) A method of decreasing the production of a TGF- β induced proteoglycan by a cell which produces the proteoglycan, comprising contacting the cell with an agent which decreases the amount of TGF- β or inhibits the proteoglycan